DE LA WARR PAVILION
Silver Jubilee Year 1960
BEXHILL-ON-SEA

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COMMUNITY ACTIVITY EXHIBITION

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY

5th, 6th, 7th OCTOBER, 1960

Open 2.30 to 10 p.m.

Admission - - 1/-

SOUVENIR BROCHURE 1/-

Containing list of exhibiting organisations and programme of continuous entertainment

Official Opening by

B. GODMAN IRVINE, Esq., M.P. and
His Worship the Mayor of Bexhill,
Alderman R. F. BOTTING, J.P.

at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, 5th October, 1960

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EXHIBITION COMMITTEES

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

This Exhibition shows only too clearly that Bexhill, through its voluntary organisations, caters for every kind of leisure activity. Whether you are an old or a new resident you will find that there is some voluntary organisation which can cater for your wants in the field of your special interests. It will help you to enjoy the fruits of living a full life because not only will you be serving yourself, but you will be helping your fellow residents to enjoy their life, too, by co-operative voluntary service.

Unfortunately, limitations of space make it impossible to portray completely the spirit of voluntary service in the Borough of Bexhill, but a visit to the Exhibition will show you clearly that, no matter what your pursuits may be, there is an organisation, within this Borough, that can cater for you.

This Exhibition has been put on by voluntary services for voluntary services, and the many residents of the Borough who have assisted in arranging this Exhibition deserve the highest commendation for their selfless co-operation.

A. E. GARDNER,
Chairman, Community Activity Exhibition.

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor's Parlour
Bexhill

A town like Bexhill—a town that is said to be different. So often one hears cynical comment on its appearance and its residents. But there are not very many towns where the spirit of voluntary service is so prevalent. The high quality and the quantity of voluntary service in Bexhill shines out like a beacon.

Here—in the Community Activity Exhibition—is the opportunity for all residents and visitors to see for themselves how wide and varied is the spirit of this voluntary service. It helps so greatly in making natives and newcomers into a friendly community —a community of which we who reside here are so justly proud.

I sincerely hope that the people of Bexhill will support this Exhibition to the full.

R. F. BOTTING,
Mayor.

PROGRAMME OF ENTERTAINMENT

WEDNESDAY, 5th OCTOBER, 1960

2.45 p.m.	**Songs** by the County Grammar School for Girls' Choir
3.00 p.m.	**Official Opening** by B. Godman Irvine, Esq., M.P.
5.00 p.m.	**Film** of the work of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (Introduced by N.S.P.C.C. Inspector Johns)
5.30 p.m.	**Films** by the Bexhill Road Safety Committee
7.15 p.m.	**Physical Training Display** by Pupils of the Downs County Secondary Modern School for Boys
7.30 p.m.	**Weight-Lifting Display** by the Bexhill Amateur Athletic Club
7.45 p.m.	**Choral Items** by the Bexhill Choral Society

INTERVAL

9.00 p.m.	**Variety** by the Little Common Community Association Drama Group
9.30 p.m.	**A Camp Fire** by the Bexhill Scouts

THURSDAY, 6th OCTOBER, 1960

2.45 p.m.	**Songs** by the Holmesdale Ladies' Choir
5.00 p.m.	**Film** of the work of the Church Army
5.30 p.m.	**Films** by the Royal National Lifeboat Institution
7.15 p.m.	**Judo Demonstration** by the Bexhill Amateur Athletic Club
7.30 p.m.	**Item** by the Girls' Life Brigade
7.45 p.m.	**Orchestral Items** by the Bexhill Citizens' Orchestra

INTERVAL

9.00 p.m.	**Play** (" Mr. Lucifer and the Spinster "—Philip Johnson) by the Bexhill Players
9.30 p.m.	**Dances** by the Scottish Society

FRIDAY, 7th OCTOBER, 1960

2.45 p.m.	**Songs** by the Holmesdale Ladies' Choir
5.00 p.m.	**Projection of Coloured Transparencies** by the Bexhill Photographic Club
5.45 p.m.	**Films** by the East Sussex Fund for the Blind
7.15 p.m.	**Item** by Bexhill Amateur Theatrical Society
7.20 p.m.	**Physical Training Display** by the Bexhill Amateur Athletic Club
7.35 p.m.	**Olde-Tyme Dances** by the Sidley Community Association

INTERVAL

9.00 p.m.	**" Trial by Jury "**—Gilbert and Sullivan, by the Bexhill Light Opera and Dramatic Society

Programme arranged by Mr. R. Walsh

LIST OF EXHIBITORS

Stand	Organisation
1	**Bexhill Amateur Theatrical Society** *Hon. Secretary:* Mrs. Y. Roberts, 72 Cooden Sea Road
2	**Little Common Community Centre** *Secretary Warden:* Mr. H. Hooker, H.Q., Shepherds Close
3 & 23	**N.A.L.G.O.** *Hon. Secretary:* Mr. Darnell, Cemetery Lodge, Clinch Green
4	**Evening Townswomen's Guild** *Hon. Secretary:* Miss E. M. Castledine, "Wensley," Glyne Barn Close
5 & 6	**Bexhill District Nursing Association** *Hon. Secretary:* Mrs. J. Boustead, 47 Barnhorn Road
7	**Bexhill Light Opera & Dramatic Society** *Hon. Secretary:* Mr. L. J. Lennard, 51 Pembury Grove
8	**Bexhill Horticultural Society** *Hon. Secretary:* Mr. C. M. Ray, 9 Hever Crescent
9	**Girl Guides Association** *Division Commissioner:* Miss I. C. Fazan, 1a Amherst Road
10	**St. Peter's Community Centre** *Hon. Secretary:* Mr. E. Gadsden, 123 Belle Hill
11	**British Red Cross Society, Bexhill Div.** *Divisional Director:* Miss L. Bradly, H.Q., London Road
12	**Bexhill Road Safety Committee** *Hon. Secretary:* Mr. D. Talbot, 66 Amherst Road
13	**Aquarium Society** *Hon. Secretary:* Mr. D. Jolliffe, 17 Albany Road
14	**British Legion, Bexhill Branch** *Hon. Secretary:* Mr. J. M. S. Barlow, 4 London Road
15	**British Legion, Women's Section** *Hon. Secretary:* Mrs. Wigens, 13 Western Rd.
16	**Inner Wheel Club of Bexhill-on-Sea** *Hon. Secretary:* Mrs. F. W. Clare, 20 Sutherland Avenue
17	**Bexhill Amateur Athletic Club** *Hon. Secretary:* Mr. C. J. Harmer, Sports Centre, Little Common Road
18	**Bexhill Floral Group** *Hon. Secretary:* Mrs. G. D. Wilton, "Melvale," South Cliff
19	**Parent-Teacher Association: Down County Secondary School for Boys** *Hon. Secretary:* Mr. H. B. Francis, 9 Glenleigh Park Road
20-22	**Youth Leaders Council** *Hon. Secretary:* Mr. R. Walsh, 10 Buckhurst Road
24	**Borough Gardens & Allotments Society** *Hon. Secretary:* Miss J. Rodgers, 20 Glenthorn Road
25	**The Bexhill Players** *Hon. Secretary:* Mrs. C. Webb, 14 Barrack Road
26	**Bexhill Gift Tree Committee (A.B.C.)**
27a	**Bexhill Hotels Association** *Hon. Secretary:* Miss Burdett, Middlehill, Upper Sea Road
27b	**Little Common Women's Institute** *Hon. Secretary:* Mrs. R. F. H. Groves, 4 Green Lane
28	**The Civil Defence Corps** *Liaison Officer:* Mr. S. F. Pocock, Civil Defence Centre, 4 Buckhurst Road
29	**Bexhill Cage Bird Society** *Hon. Secretary:* Mr. C. J. Brown, 1 Broadoak Farm Cottage, Broadoak Lane
30	**The Church Army** *Captain:* R. Leng, Station Road
31	**Royal Artillery Association—Bexhill** *Hon. Secretary:* Mr. D. G. Harris-White, 9 Crowhurst Lane
32	**Sidley Community Association** *Warden:* Mrs. A. Thatcher, Sidley House, Ninfield Road
33	**Bexhill Amateur Swimming Club** *Hon. Secretary:* Mr. C. E. Goldsmith, 2 Cooden Drive
34	**Bexhill Cactus and Succulent Assoc.** *Hon. Secretary:* Mrs. G. Bridges, 3 Watermill Close
35	**W.V.S. for Civil Defence** *Centre Organiser:* Miss C. Burch, 42 Devonshire Road
36-37	**League of Friends of the Bexhill Hospital** *Hon. Secretary:* Miss Pallister, 4 De La Warr Road
38	**St. John Ambulance Brigade—Bexhill Division** *Divisional Officer:* K. C. Gillham, 6 Crowmere Avenue
39	**National Council of Women—Bexhill** *Hon. Secretary:* Miss K. M. Lovitt, "Winswood," Dalehurst Road
40	**R.S.P.C.A.** *Hon. Secretary:* Miss H. M. Wood, 9 Old Manor Close
41	**Save the Children Fund—Bexhill** *Hon. Secretary:* Miss B. J. Morrant, 14a Bedford Avenue
42	**Association of Bexhill Citizens** *Hon. Secretary:* Mrs. C. W. Hayward, 10 St. Andrew's Road
43	**Bexhill Amateur Wine-making Society** *Hon. Secretary:* Mr. N. G. Beckett, 156 Barnhorn Road
44	**N.S.P.C.C.** *Hon. Secretary:* Mrs. H. H. Ward, "Oakways," Pages Lane
44	**The League of Pity** *Hon. Secretary:* Mrs. Guilmant, 59 Cooden Drive
45	**Boy Scouts Association** *District Commissioner:* E. W. Wellerd, 20 Beaconsfield Road
46	**East Sussex Fund for the Blind—Bexhill Appeals Committee** *Hon. Secretary:* Miss E. F. Gwyn, 52a Devonshire Road
47	**Bexhill Afternoon Townswomen's Guild** *Hon. Secretary:* Mrs. M. R. James, 17 Richmond Grove
47	**E. Bexhill After'n Townswomen's Guild** *Hon. Secretary:* Mrs. D. A. Kimber, 10 Second Avenue
48	**Bexhill and District Scottish Society** *Hon. Secretary:* Mrs. A. F. Woodfine, Beech Court, Little Common Road
49	**National Savings Committee** *Hon. Secretary:* Mrs. L. G. Green, 52 Chandler Road
50	**Bexhill Museum Association** *Curator and Secretary:* Mr. H. J. Sargent, Egerton Park Museum
51	**Bexhill Photographic Society** *Hon. Secretary:* Mr. D. G. Kent, 14 Southlands Avenue
Foyer	**Bexhill Rowing Club** *Hon. Secretary:* Mr. L. E. P. Cook, 4 Marina Court
Foyer	**Bexhill Sailing Club** *Commodore:* R. E. G. Harrison, H.Q., Channel View East

HISTORY, AIMS AND OBJECTS OF EXHIBITORS

BEXHILL AMATEUR THEATRICAL SOCIETY

The B.A.T.S. was formed in 1935 by the late Major Ronald Cargill and his wife, who, prior to then, had produced many plays with great success, both at home and abroad. Since 1936 the B.A.T.S. have produced plays every year at the De La Warr Pavilion except during the war, when they turned themselves into a highly successful concert party which entertained the Army and R.A.F. It gave up only when many members entered the Services.

After the war many successful productions have been staged at the De La Warr Pavilion, and this year saw the first B.A.T.S. production at The Stables Theatre, Hastings. Activities also include one-act play entries in the Hastings Festival and the organising of an annual competitive drama festival at Egerton Park Theatre.

Those interested in amateur theatre should contact the Secretary, Mrs. Yvonne Roberts, 72 Cooden Sea Road, Little Common, who will give information about Associate and Acting Membership.

LITTLE COMMON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Founded in 1946 by a small group anxious to maintain the admirable community spirit engendered by the hardships of World War II. Social and educational groups were formed and accommodated at St. Mark's Church Hall pending the erection of a community centre, towards which the late Mr. J. B. Sainsbury generously subscribed £3,000. Difficulties in finding a suitable site delayed completion of the Centre until 1958. Assistance was given by generous contribution by Messrs. J. Sainsbury, Ltd., who expressed a wish for the building to be regarded as a memorial to the Association's Patron and President, the late head of the firm.

Situated in Shepherd's Close, Little Common, it is now a flourishing centre of community life in the village, and the social home of numerous and varied groups such as Gardening, Whist, Drama, Welfare, Clinic, Modern and Old Tyme Dancing, Art, Badminton, Keep Fit, and Evergreen Club, all associating in a common effort to further health, advance education, provide facilities for physical training and recreation, and encourage social, moral and intellectual development.

BEXHILL EVENING TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD

The Guild was founded in 1947 and has between 50 and 60 members. The objects are identical with those of the Afternoon Townswomen's Guild. Meetings are held on the first Tuesday in the month at the Down Primary School Hall, at 7 p.m., and consist of a speaker, social half-hour and competition. Subscription is 5s. per annum.

BEXHILL DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION

This Association has been formed for a number of years. Its objects are to provide additional comforts and amenities for the Queen's Nursing Sisters and Health Visitors; to supply comforts and amenities to the needy and sick of all ages in the Bexhill district not covered by National Assistance.

Special equipment such as walking aid, hoist and projectorscope has been supplied by the Committee for the Bexhill Queen's Nursing Sisters and Health Visitors for use in their work. These additional comforts and extras are not covered by the County or National Health Service, and the Committee Funds are raised by local subscriptions and donations.

The Voluntary Committee of Local Residents also deals with transport, maintenance of cars and housing of the Queen's Nursing Sisters and Health Visitors.

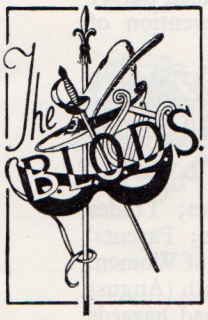
BEXHILL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

This Society was established many years before the 1939 War. It was re-started after the war and some of those who were then members are still serving on the Committee.

Its objects are to promote and encourage the practice of Horticulture and act generally as an advisory and educational body. With this object in view, lectures are held during the winter months, attendance at which is free to all members.

It welcomes all who are gardeners or are interested in growing flowers, vegetables, fruit, etc. The Society holds three shows each year, the Summer Show, usually being held in the Polegrove, the Early Autumn and Late Autumn ones, held in the De La Warr Pavilion. New exhibitors are encouraged.

BEXHILL LIGHT OPERA AND DRAMATIC SOCIETY



Founded in 1933 by the late Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Beadnell, the B.L.O.D.S. have produced some 25 light operas and although not claiming to have pleased everybody by the choice of opera made in the course of all these years, it is claimed that pleasure has been brought to many Bexhillians by the production of shows which, for reasons of economics, cannot be performed in Bexhill by professional companies.

It is always the desire of the Society to produce shows which are as up-to-date as possible, within the financial and artistic scope of the company and of the greatest appeal to the public.

Much as it is wished to stage the modern musicals such as " Oklahoma," " Bless the Bride," etc., the cost of these modern productions cannot be less than £1,000, and with the usual takings of about £500, it is impossible to stage shows of this nature.

BEXHILL DIVISION GIRL GUIDES

The Girl Guides Association is celebrating its Golden Jubilee in 1960. For 50 years its purpose has been to develop good citizenship through character training, encouraging girls in loyalty and helpfulness to others, and promoting their physical, mental and spiritual development.

The foundation of the Guide Movement is the Promise, which each Guide makes at her enrolment, " To do my duty to God and the Queen, to help other people at all times, and to obey the Guide Law."

The method of training is by giving varied interests and activities, companionship and fun, suitable to their age, Brownies (7½-11), Guides (11-16) and Rangers (15-21).

The Guide Movement, through the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts, has spread to over 45 countries throughout the world.

In Bexhill there are over 600 members. Their Headquarters is in London Road.

ST. PETER'S COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

In September 1943 the late Canon Godfrey Bell, then Rector of Bexhill, appealed for donations to build a Community Centre in commemoration of the services given and the sacrifices made for us during the war. The Centre was to be run under the aegis of the Parish Church, but not limited to Church members, functions, or organisations, and would aim at meeting cultural, recreational and social needs.

The inaugural meeting of the Association was held in July 1946 at St. Peter's Church Hall, and various groups were formed. In 1955, under the leadership of the Rev. Clifford Earwaker, Canon Bell's ambition was realised, and a new building adjoining the Church Halls was opened.

The three halls are now used for many activities: Lectures, Dances, Whist Drives, Drama, Photography, and Classes in Art and Dressmaking. The Centre is also the meeting place of Girl Guides and Brownies, and there is a flourishing Youth Group.

BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY—BEXHILL DIVISION

The Red Cross is a world-wide movement with a membership at present of 105,000,000 in 75 National Red Cross Societies. These with the League of Red Cross Societies and the International Committee of the Red Cross, form what is known as the International Red Cross.

The primary object of the Red Cross in time of war is to supplement the medical services of the Crown, including Civil Defence. Its object, at all times, is to help the victims of disaster and to work for the improvement of health, the prevention of disease and the relief of suffering.

The red cross on a white ground, the colours of the Swiss flag reversed, was chosen as a compliment to the founder of the Red Cross, Henri Dunant, a Swiss citizen.

THE BEXHILL ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE

Is a voluntary and advisory organisation set up in 1946 under the East Sussex Road Safety Council and under the general guidance of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (Ro.S.P.A.).

The Committee works in close co-operation with the Borough Council. It undertakes, in conjunction with the local Police, the training of young cyclists to a standard of proficiency entitling them to Ro.S.P.A.'s Certificate and Badge which many hundreds of Bexhill children proudly possess.

The Road Safety Committee include representatives of:—

The Borough Council; Local Police; Maidstone and District Motor Services; Trades Council; Rotary Club; Council and State-Aided Schools; Private Schools; Parents' Associations; Double-Six Motor-Cycling Club; and The National Council of Women.

Committee meetings are held at the Town Hall on the first Tuesday of each month (August excepted) at 7.30 p.m., and information from residents regarding suspected road hazards is welcomed.

THE BEXHILL AND DISTRICT AQUARIUM SOCIETY

This Society was formed in January 1951, for the purpose of bringing together all those interested in the keeping and breeding of tropical fish. Monthly meetings are held in order to increase knowledge of the subject, and for the exchange of ideas.

Regular monthly features include Fish Shows, Lectures from Members of the Federation of British Aquatic Societies (to which the Society is affiliated), film shows, quizzes and other items of interest.

Annual events include the Home Aquaria Competition (in which members' tanks are judged in their own homes), public shows and exhibitions, outings to places of interest to fish-keepers and other social activities.

Visitors to Bexhill and any residents who are interested are always welcome to Club meetings, particulars of which may always be obtained from the Secretary.

BRITISH LEGION

The British Legion, incorporated by the Royal Charter, is a membership and fund-raising organisation for ex-Servicemen and women; is dedicated to perpetuate the memory of those who died in the service of their country and to promote the welfare of their widows and dependants. It comprises more than 5,000 branches at home and abroad which maintain an active comradeship, and gives help to the ex-Service community on pension matters, housing, employment and in the relief of distress.

Four country homes for the sick and aged are run as well as four convalescent homes to enable those who have been ill to regain their health. The Legion is the largest private employer of disabled ex-Servicemen, maintaining the Poppy Factory, a Cambrian tweed factory, a furniture factory and the British Legion Village, near Maidstone. In addition, it runs a taxi school, an attendants company and the Disabled Men's Industries, a producing and selling agency for goods made by home-bound disabled workers.

The British Legion organises Poppy Day and this money is administered by Headquarters and Branch Service Committees in the relief of distress.

Membership of the Bexhill Branch—492.

BRITISH LEGION (WOMEN'S SECTION)

History.—A total of 11,516 knitted garments were sent to troops during hostilities in Korea. A Coronation Purse presentation to the Patroness realised £21,566 from Branches in 1953, and the highest total in donations was reached last year (1959) for the Section's Funds—£48,947.

Visiting of elderly war widows in their homes was started in 1956 at the request of the Minister of Pensions.

Aims.—Founded in July 1921 to safeguard the interests of widows, dependants, and families, of men and women who served in H.M. Forces, and to augment and widen the activities of the Legion.

The Section is governed by the principles and policy laid down in the Royal Charter.

Other Activities.—Visits to Hospitals, Patients, Sale of Disabled Men's Industries' goods. Collecting for Earl Haig's Poppy Fund. Assisting with the welfare of disabled ex-Servicemen and paraplegic cases.

Membership of the Bexhill Branch, Women's Section is 512.

THE INNER WHEEL CLUB OF BEXHILL-ON-SEA

Shortly after the formation of the Rotary Club of Bexhill in 1923, the Founder President, the late Alderman F. B. Bending, suggested that the wives of the members should form themselves into a Club.

The suggestion was well received and the Women's Wheel of Service, with the avowed object of " Friendship and Service," was started. In 1924 the name was changed to The Inner Wheel.

Further Clubs in other towns were formed and the Association now consists of over 700 Clubs in the British Isles and 160 overseas. The Bexhill Club has the proud distinction of being the second oldest in the Association.

During the last war the Club assisted many local and national organisations in their voluntary work.

Although not a charitable organisation, the Club gives practical help in various ways to those less fortunate than themselves.

THE BEXHILL AMATEUR ATHLETIC CLUB

Was formed by a few enthusiasts in 1919 with Headquarters at the Malet Hall, Belle Hill.

1922 Amateur Athletic Association membership was obtained. Increasing membership necessitated larger Headquarters and these were found in Amherst Road.

1927 The idea of a permanent building was suggested. Funds were raised and supplemented by Athletic Meetings, Gymnastic Displays, Boxing Tournaments, Whist Drives and Concerts.

1935 The Building Fund Appeal was launched and nearly £5,000 raised in four years.

1937 The Sports Centre site in Little Common Road was acquired and building commenced. The Commemoration Stone was laid by the Mayor of Bexhill, the late Alderman Cuthbert.

1939 The building was almost completed when, at the outbreak of war, it was requisitioned by the local authority as a First Aid Post.

1946 The Sports Centre was opened and recognised as one of the finest on the South Coast.

1952 A Supporters' Club was formed to raise funds. The Club is now free from debt and its equipment of the best for every sport catered for.

The objects of the Club shall be the promotion of amateur athletics and sports, and the association in a social club of persons interested in such pursuits.

THE BEXHILL FLORAL GROUP

The object is to encourage the love of flowers and to stimulate interest in arranging them to the best advantage in the home. The members can learn the best time to pick flowers, how to prolong their life, how to make use of few flowers only when they are scarce and how to preserve them for winter displays; the use of the hedgerow and simple containers as well as colour harmony and displays for special occasions.

Meetings are held on alternative Tuesdays at the De La Warr Pavilion either in the afternoon or evening; half are " Demonstrations " and half are " Practicals " and an Exhibition is held annually.

Floral competitions and displays are organised for local charities.

Further information may be obtained at the stand at the Exhibition or from the Hon. Secretary. Annual subscription 10s. 6d. Visitors always welcome: 2s. per meeting.

DOWN COUNTY SECONDARY SCHOOL FOR BOYS PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION

The aim of the Association is to foster and maintain the happy relationship which exists between parents, staff and boys in the school; also to help at any school function when required and to assist financially toward additional school amenities not provided by the local authority.

The Association is looking forward to showing at the Exhibition the various projects to which the staff, boys and Association have all subscribed.

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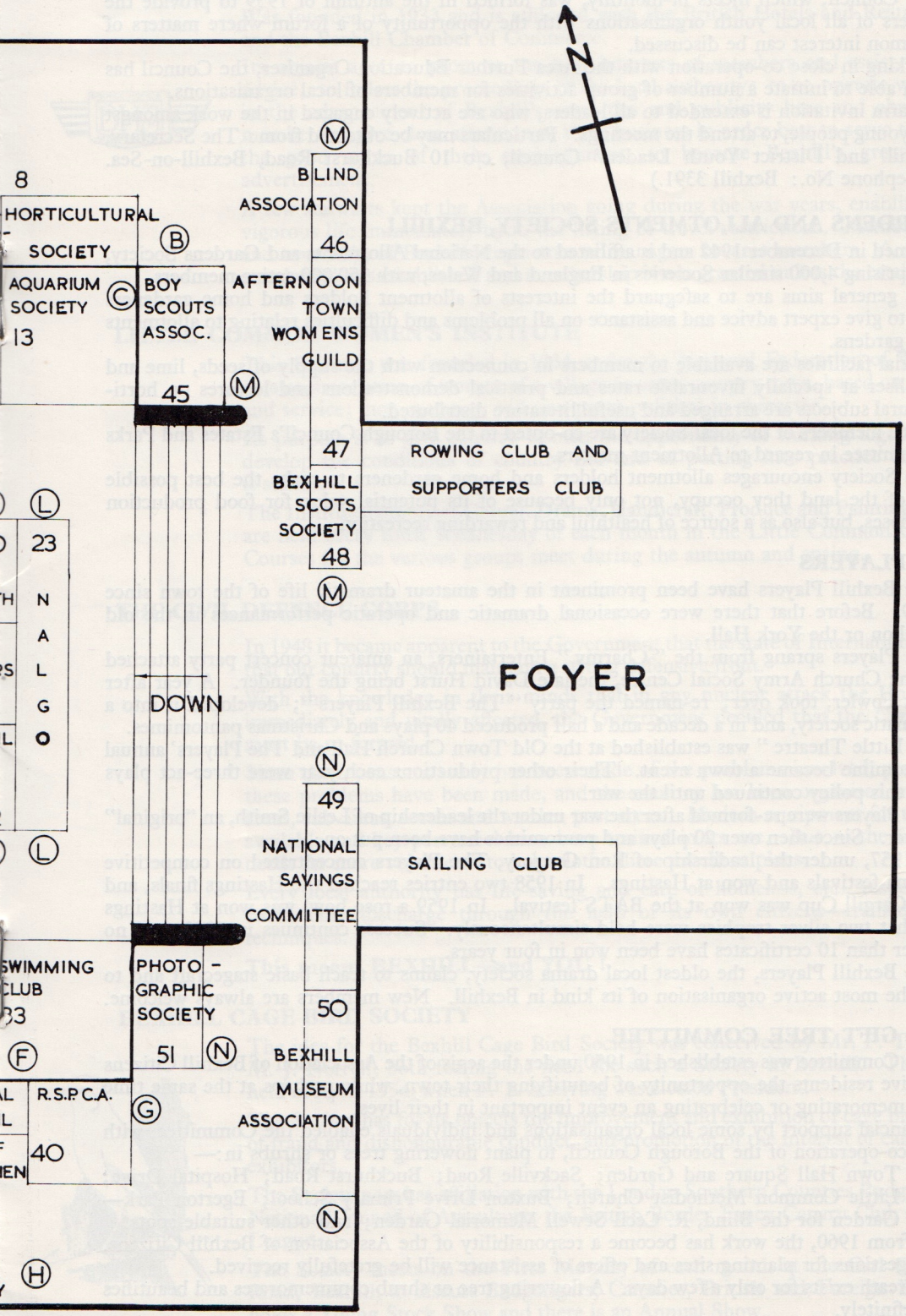
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BEXHILL AND DISTRICT YOUTH LEADERS' COUNCIL

The Council, which meets bi-monthly, was formed in the autumn of 1959 to provide the leaders of all local youth organisations with the opportunity of a forum where matters of common interest can be discussed.

Working in close co-operation with the Area Further Education Organiser, the Council has been able to initiate a number of group activities for members of local organisations.

A warm invitation is extended to all leaders, who are actively engaged in the work amongst our young people, to attend the meetings. Particulars may be obtained from: The Secretary, Bexhill and District Youth Leaders' Council, c/o 10 Buckhurst Road, Bexhill-on-Sea. (Telephone No.: Bexhill 3391.)

BOROUGH GARDENS AND ALLOTMENTS SOCIETY, BEXHILL

Formed in December 1942 and is affiliated to the National Allotments and Gardens Society, comprising 4,000 similar Societies in England and Wales, with 350,000 active members.

The general aims are to safeguard the interests of allotment holders and home gardeners and to give expert advice and assistance on all problems and difficulties relating to allotments and gardens.

Special facilities are available to members in connection with the supply of seeds, lime and fertiliser at specially favourable rates and practical demonstrations and lectures on horticultural subjects are arranged and useful literature distributed.

Three members of the local Society are co-opted to the Borough Council's Estates and Parks Committee in regard to Allotment matters.

The Society encourages allotment holders and home gardeners to make the best possible use of the land they occupy, not only because of its potential value for food production purposes, but also as a source of healthful and rewarding recreation.

THE BEXHILL PLAYERS

The Bexhill Players have been prominent in the amateur dramatic life of the town since 1919. Before that there were occasional dramatic and operatic performances in the old Pavilion or the York Hall.

The Players sprang from the " Charmy " Entertainers, an amateur concert party attached to the Church Army Social Centre, the late David Hurst being the founder. A year after Jack Fowler, took over; re-named the party " The Bexhill Players "; developed it into a dramatic society, and in a decade and a half produced 40 plays and Christmas pantomimes.

A " Little Theatre " was established at the Old Town Church Hall and The Players' annual pantomime became a town event. Their other productions each year were three-act plays and this policy continued until the war.

The Players were re-formed after the war under the leadership of Leslie Smith, an "original" Player. Since then over 20 plays and pantomimes have been put on.

In 1957, under the leadership of Ron Gregory, The Players concentrated on competitive drama festivals and won at Hastings. In 1958 two entries reached the Hastings finals, and the Cargill Cup was won at the BATS festival. In 1959 a rose bowl was won at Hastings so that two silver trophies were held simultaneously. Success continues in 1960, and no fewer than 10 certificates have been won in four years.

The Bexhill Players, the oldest local drama society, claims to teach basic stagecraft and to be the most active organisation of its kind in Bexhill. New members are always welcome.

THE BEXHILL GIFT TREE COMMITTEE

The Committee was established in 1950 under the aegis of the Association of Bexhill Citizens to give residents the opportunity of beautifying their town, while perhaps at the same time commemorating or celebrating an event important in their lives.

Financial support by some local organisations and individuals enabled the Committee, with the co-operation of the Borough Council, to plant flowering trees or shrubs in:—

Town Hall Square and Garden; Sackville Road; Buckhurst Road; Hospital Drive; Little Common Methodist Church; Buxton Drive Primary School; Egerton Park—Garden for the Blind, R. Cecil Sewell Memorial Garden; and other suitable spots.

As from 1960, the work has become a responsibility of the Association of Bexhill Citizens. Suggestions for planting sites and offers of assistance will be gratefully received.

A wreath exists for only a few days. A flowering tree or shrub commemorates and beautifies indefinitely.

THE BEXHILL HOTELS ASSOCIATION

Was founded in 1933 and is affiliated with the British Hotels and Restaurants Association and the Bexhill Chamber of Commerce.

Its objects are: to promote the best interests of members and assist by legal and other advice; to follow the proceedings of the local authority; to co-operate with any other body in the advancement of Bexhill's amenities and publicity here and abroad; to encourage members to give close attention to their business in order best to serve the public; and, by the good name of their establishment, to become Bexhill's greatest attraction and advertisement.

A few stalwarts kept the Association going during the war years, enabling it to spring into vigorous life immediately upon the lifting of travel restrictions. Membership rose rapidly, and over 90% of Bexhill proprietors or managers became members. A detailed " approved standard " was established and membership is not granted unless the establishment complies.

LITTLE COMMON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

This Institute was founded in 1934 under the National Federation of Women's Institutes. It is an association of women of a village or small country town, based on ideals of fellowship and service; non sectarian and non party-political in character.

Its purpose is to give country-women the opportunity of working together to improve and develop the conditions of country life and of putting into practice the ideals for which it stands.

The Institute comprises Choral, Drama, Handicraft, Produce and Painting groups. Meetings are held every third Wednesday of each month in the Little Common Community Centre. Courses for the various groups meet during the autumn and spring.

THE CIVIL DEFENCE CORPS

In 1948 it became apparent to the Government that the state of International affairs demanded that our country should maintain a strong defensive front.

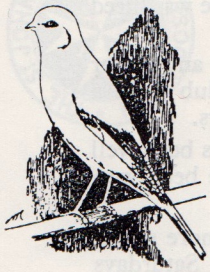
With the knowledge in their minds that in any nuclear attack the Home front would be immediately and vitally affected, the Government decided that the Civil Defence Services must be re-formed.

Since then, constant study has been made of the problems involved, plans for dealing with these problems have been made, and the country has been organised into regions, groups, areas, sub-areas, sector and warden post areas. Modern equipment for training has become available and key personnel have been trained in its use. But — the Civil Defence Corps needs far more volunteers to help clothe these excellent plans.

Every local authority has life-saving and care of homeless, etc., responsibilities which it could only discharge through the help of its own citizens—trained in Civil Defence techniques.

This means BEXHILL—and YOU !

BEXHILL CAGE BIRD SOCIETY



The idea for the Bexhill Cage Bird Society was conceived by Mr. F. T. Sherring and Mr. M. J. Norrell, both feeling the need for such a Society in Bexhill. The first meeting was held in April 1954, when F. T. Sherring was elected President.

The Society has for its objects the improvement and exhibition of cage birds, the suppression of fraud and dishonourable conduct, and promotion of the interest of cage bird breeders and exhibitors.

The Society now has affiliation with the London Southern Counties Budgerigars Society, The National Council of Aviculture, the British Border Fancy Canary Club and the Junior Bird League.

The Society meets on the First Monday of each month at the Girl Guide Hall, London Road, Bexhill, to discuss Budgerigars, Canaries, British and Foreign Birds. The Society holds a Young Stock Show and there is an Annual Show.

THE CHURCH ARMY

Founded by the late Prebendary Carlile, the Church Army has been pursuing a course of vigorous and compassionate evangelism for 77 years. Working within the Church of England, the Church Army gives practical and spiritual help to men and women in all walks of life.

It ministers to the lonely and homeless: it cares for the young and the aged: it carries the message of the Gospel into town and village throughout the country—and into many foreign lands. In Canada, Australia, New Zealand and the U.S.A. the Church Army has daughter societies, while it is also active in India and Africa.

Many parishes in England have fully-trained Church Army Officers assisting the clergy.

All over the country you will see the familiar grey uniform of a Church Army Captain or Sister; in parish of prison; in Home or Hospital; each one of them giving personal care and attention to the many thousands who are in need of help.

ROYAL ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION—BEXHILL-ON-SEA BRANCH

This branch, re-formed on April 16, 1958, at a meeting of only five, now has a membership of over 80. Every endeavour is being made to enrol every Gunner in the area.

The objects of the Association are:

To promote comradeship between all Gunners.

To watch and guard the interests of Gunners, their families and dependants, and to assist Gunners to obtain employment.

To assist Gunners, their families and dependants when sick or in distress.

To maintain contact with public or private organisations which concern themselves with the welfare of the forces and their dependants.

To provide Accident Insurance for all members of the Association.

Already this Branch has obtained financial assistance for two members and obtained employment for one other, thus proving the need for the existence of the Association in this area. The immediate aim of the Branch is to raise funds so that its work may continue.

THE SIDLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Originated from the Welfare Association which helped children with clothes, etc., when evacuated during the last war. Ten years ago the Bexhill Corporation offered for a nominal rent the use of Sidley House as headquarters, the offer being gratefully accepted.

The Association caters for young and old: at the Nursery School—children from 2½ years; at the Silver Threads Club—folk from 60 years onwards. the oldest member at present being 90. There are also Youth Clubs.

Its numerous activities demanded more accommodation and necessitated more money, but the Sidley people rallied round and extensions costing nearly £4,000 were carried out, £2,500 being raised by members. A further extension has recently been completed and anyone interested can now be invited to join in the following activities: handicrafts, dressmaking, drama, junior drama, old tyme dancing, women's section, women's leisure hour, whist drives, musical appreciation and jazz appreciation.

BEXHILL AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB

Was inaugurated about 1892 and held its first gala in 1893. The Bath at that time was hired and administered by the Club until taken over by the Bexhill Corporation.

The aim of the Club is to teach swimming and to arrange facilities for the junior and senior members. The present membership of 475 is the highest on record. The Club owns a beach-bathing chalet for the use of senior members or approved junior members.

The Club won the Southern Counties Water Polo Championship in 1908 and has been well to the fore since. The Horsham Carnival Trophy and the B.O.A.C. Cup have been won this year.

Membership is open to any person in the Bexhill area and there is a need for more senior members from 16 years upwards. Club nights are: Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays from May to the end of September.

THE BEXHILL CACTUS AND SUCCULENT ASSOCIATION

Formed three years ago with approximately 20 members and, during this time, the membership has trebled.

The object of the Association is to help all who are interested in growing cacti and succulents with the culture of their plants, and lectures, demonstrations, film shows, etc., are given every month. Various visits have been made to see specialists' collections in different parts of the country and to Kew Gardens Cacti Houses.

Meetings take place at 7.30 p.m. on the last Tuesday of the month at Caves Cafe, Sea Road, Bexhill, under the chairmanship of Mr. L. F. Tookey, a well-known grower and judge.

The keen interest of members is proved by the fact that many travel regularly from places as far afield as Hailsham, Herstmonceux and Norman's Bay.

If you are interested in this subject why not come yourself?

WOMEN'S VOLUNTARY SERVICE FOR CIVIL DEFENCE

At the request of the Home Secretary, the Dowager Marchioness of Reading formed the Women's Voluntary Service in 1938 to support the Local Authority and A.R.P. Their first job of billeting children, quickly spread to the following activities: General care of the homeless; staffing of rest centres, British Restaurants, canteens for troops and children, parceling of comforts for troops, and other jobs too numerous to name. Members of the Volunteer Car Pool drove Government officials and hospital patients.

After the war the work of the Women's Voluntary Service became the care of the civil population, both young and old. It provides or organises Meals on Wheels, Darby and Joan Clubs, Home Help Service, Clothing for refugees and the needy, Magazines for the troops, Transport, Children's escorts, Holiday Homes, Staffing of Welfare Section of the Civil Defence.

THE LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF THE BEXHILL HOSPITAL

The League of Friends of the Bexhill Hospital, which is affiliated to the National League of Hospital Friends, was formed in 1952. The main objects of the League are to provide the patients and staff with the extra comforts and amenities which are not provided by the National Health Service, and which make all the difference to the well-being of the sick; also to keep the townspeople in touch with the work being done by the League in their Hospital.

The membership of the League is now over 1,600. The members are kept informed of the events taking place and of the gifts to the Hospital by News Letters sent out three times a year.

Gifts recently made are bedside lockers, V.H.F. radio installation and a telephone trolly for the wards. Letters from patients show how much the work of the League is appreciated.

THE ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE

Was formed in 1887 and is one of the three foundations of the Order of St. John, which dates back to approximately A.D. 600, the other two foundations of the Order being the St. John Ambulance Association founded in 1877 and the St. John Opthalmic Hospital in Jerusalem founded in 1882. The Brigade and Association work in close co-operation, the Association being responsible for the standards of first-aid and nursing training; also the preparation and supply of instruction manuals and equipment used by the Brigade and other First Aid and Nursing organisations. The Cadet movement was formed in 1922.

The Brigade is one of the largest voluntary organisations in the world and, contrary to popular belief, receives no Government grant. The Ambulance Transport Service is the only section given financial support, the Brigade having in many counties and towns contracted to man ambulance cars in support of the local authorities who, under the National Health Act, 1948, are responsible for an ambulance service. Other work consists of training periods, duties at theatres, motor races, public functions of all kinds, roadside first-aid huts, auxiliary work in hospitals, both in the nursing and welfare spheres. Support is given to the Civil Defence services and the Brigade functions as a reserve to the medical services of the armed forces, and the Brigade has a fine record of war service.

The demand upon the services of the Brigade grows and new members are needed. Only one evening a month is essential to maintain efficiency. You are invited to join in this useful and absorbing work.

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN, BEXHILL BRANCH

The National Council of Women of Great Britain was founded in 1895. It is affiliated to the International Council of Women and has Branches throughout the country. Its aim is to promote the civic, educational, moral and religious welfare of the community.

The Bexhill-on-Sea Branch was inaugurated in 1949 and has 168 members with 10 Affiliated Societies. Its representatives serve on the various Committees at Headquarters—thus taking part in the work at national level—and all members are invited to attend the Regional and National Conferences.

A very attractive Branch programme is arranged each year. This includes:—

Monthly Luncheons with a Speaker, the talks covering a wide range of subjects.

Afternoon meetings and discussions on N.C.W. activities.

Social events—Coffee Mornings, Bring-and-Buy Sale, Coach Outing, Garden Party, etc.

Branch gatherings provide an excellent opportunity for members to share social and cultural interests and to form friendships. New members are welcomed.

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (supported entirely by voluntary contributions), was founded in 1824 and is the oldest and largest Animal Protection Society. It has almost 3,000 Branches and is affiliated with sister societies throughout the world.

The policy of the Society is the promotion of kindness and the prevention of cruelty to animals and birds. This policy is promoted by education, obtaining fresh legislation, establishing clinics, cautioning offenders and prosecution if necessary, assisting animal protection work overseas, and giving instruction in first-aid.

About 200 Inspectors, stationed throughout England and Wales, are on call day and night in the service of animals.

Membership. A gift of £20 (in one single amount) entitles the donor to a *Life Membership*. Subscribers of £1 and upwards annually are entitled to the privilege of *Full Membership*.

THE SAVE THE CHILDREN FUND—BEXHILL & DISTRICT BRANCH

Founded in 1919, the Save the Children Fund is an international organisation existing to help children in need throughout the world, regardless of nationality. Its medical and welfare teams are at present working in the United Kingdom, Agadir, and at least 14 other countries. Cash and material grants are made available to many other areas, particularly for immediate aid in hurricane, flood and earthquake disasters.

The Bexhill and District Branch was started in the autumn of 1959, and seeks to support the Fund's work by raising money and contributing gifts in kind. There are several groups of residents in the districts of Bexhill, working to make garments for destitute children and saleable gifts. Such groups provide a happy informal meeting ground for those keen on working for children in need. Anyone interested in helping in this way would be most welcome, and should contact the Hon. Secretary.

THE ASSOCIATION OF BEXHILL CITIZENS

Founded in 1946 by Mr. A. E. Gardner (the present Chairman) and Mr. A. C. Compton, the latter having served on the Committee without break until May 1960.

Being a non-party and non-sectarian body, it can represent all local interests. Its aims are:

(1) To encourage and stimulate Civic interest and pride in Bexhill and to raise the standard of Citizenship.

(2) To take a close interest in all matters affecting the development of the Town.

(3) To promote the happiness and general well-being of our citizens.

(4) To co-operate with other bodies for the general good.

(5) To suggest ideas and promote schemes to improve and increase amenities of every kind.

(6) To represent the views of the Association to Local, County, or other Authorities.

In addition to its civic work for the betterment of Bexhill, the A.B.C. organises an extensive programme of social activity.

Membership which is open to all those residing in Bexhill, now exceeds 1,300. Life membership subscription is £1, the annual subscription being only 2s. 6d.

BEXHILL AMATEUR WINE MAKING SOCIETY

The Society was formed during December 1959 to promote the culture of home-made wines, to bring people together socially by lectures, discussions and sampling of members' products. It meets each third Thursday of the month at 7.30 p.m. in the Conservative Club, Amherst Road.

Subscription is £1 per person, or £1 10s. for family, which includes the monthly magazine, "Amateur Winemaker."

THE NATIONAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO CHILDREN

Founded in 1882 as a result of the interest taken by The Reverend Bernard Waugh in the plight of suffering children. The Society was granted a Royal Charter in 1884.

The work of the Society is carried out through its branches by 310 Inspectors and 35 women Visitors. Last year the Society dealt with the cases of over 100,000 children.

The Bexhill Committee, which is comprised in the Hastings, St. Leonards and Bexhill Branch, has 18 members . They organise events to raise funds for the Society, and by distributing its literature help to make its work known. By these activities the members are put in touch with a wide section of the public. Last year 73 cases were dealt with in this area, 50 of which were reported by the public. In cases recommended by the Inspectors, members take a personal interest and provide comforts for Mothers and Children.

THE LEAGUE OF PITY

The League of Pity is the Junior Branch of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.

It was founded in 1893. The late Queen Mary was a founder member. Its object is to foster in children a spirit of service to others, particularly children less fortunate than themselves. It is because of the interest aroused as members of the League in childhood, that many people render such service today as members of the N.S.P.C.C.

In Bexhill there is a League membership of over 100. Although it is not their chief object to raise funds, they do so to help the work of the Society. At these special " efforts," talks are given to the children on the working of the Society and the purpose for which the money will be used and the happiness they bring to other children by their service.

There is also a Branch of the League at Sidley, where similar work is done.

THE BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION

"BE PREPARED"

The Scout Movement was founded 52 years ago by Sir Robert Baden Powell, who later became Lord Baden Powell of Gilwell, and has spread over most of the world. In the United Kingdom there are over 571,000 active members, a great achievement for any organisation.

The aim of the Association is to develop good citizenship among boys by forming their character—training them in habits of observation, obedience and self-reliance—inculcating loyalty and thoughtfulness for others—teaching them services useful to the public, and handicrafts useful to themselves—promoting their physical, mental and spiritual development.

The principles and practice of the Association are based on the Scout promise and the Scout Law.

BEXHILL APPEALS COMMITTEE, EAST SUSSEX FUND FOR THE BLIND

This committee is actively engaged in raising funds for the Royal National Institute for the Blind by various events in Bexhill, and has in the past six years alone collected £3,000. Two-thirds of all sums raised are used directly in welfare for Blind Sufferers in the County, of which there are some thirteen hundred, the remainder being passed to the Central Office to provide equipment, examples of which are on display at the Exhibition Stand.

Many local clubs and organisations render valuable assistance on the flag day; also on the occasion of the Annual Bowls Tournament and Christmas carol singing at the Railway Stations. The Blind Boy statues attract much attention from children, while Christmas Stockings, collectors' boxes, coffee mornings, etc., indicate the warm interest taken throughout the borough in this great Cause. All offers of help are welcomed by the Hon Secretary.

BEXHILL AFTERNOON TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD

The Guild was founded in 1937 and there is now a membership of over 200.

Its aim is to encourage the education of women to enable them as citizens to make their contribution towards the common good and to serve as a common meeting ground for women, irrespective of creed and party, for their wider education including social activities.

Guild meetings are held on the third Thursday in each month at Parkhurst Hall, at 2.30 p.m., and consist of a lecture, tea and social half-hour.

There are also sub-committees with monthly meetings, including Choir, Drama, Garden Group, Handicrafts, Social Studies, Whist Drives, etc.

Membership subscription 5s. yearly. Visitors are welcomed on payment of 6d.

EAST BEXHILL AFTERNOON TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD

Extend a warm welcome to all women in East Bexhill. Meetings are held at the Church Army Hall, Station Road, every fourth Wednesday of the month at 2.30 p.m.

A wide variety of speakers are arranged, some Humorous, some Historical etc., but all very interesting. There are Music, Drama, Handicraft and Social Study Groups. Should you decide to join, you can be assured of an enjoyable afternoon every month.

BEXHILL AND DISTRICT SCOTTISH SOCIETY

The object is to promote friendly relations amongst persons connected with Scotland resident in Bexhill and district; to encourage interest in everything Scottish, and to assist deserving Scottish charities.

To further this aim, the Society provides annually a summer holiday in Bexhill for a party of children from the Royal Caledonian Schools at Bushey. This school cares for Scottish children who have been deprived of a normal home life, and the holiday ensures a change of environment for some of them.

The chief special event is the celebration of the anniversary of the birthday of the Scottish poet, Robert Burns. Due honour is paid to the poet, and to his favourite dish " The Haggis," " The Immortal Memory " being toasted in speech and song.

The members meet weekly for Scottish country dancing and are joined by many Sassenachs who also enjoy the gay and graceful national dancing.

NATIONAL SAVINGS MOVEMENT

Formed in 1916 as War Savings to assist the war effort and carried on between the wars in a minor capacity. It was revived in 1939 and street groups were formed as a war effort, but which were so successful as to survive in increasing numbers to date due to the enthusiasm of Voluntary Group Collectors.

Each year, from 1940, special " Weeks " were held, e.g. " Salute the Soldier," etc., in which Bexhill always excelled. In 1946 a garden party was given at Buckingham Palace to which five savings workers from Bexhill attended.

In 1956 the 40 years' celebrations were held in the Royal Festival Hall, at which H.R.H. Prince Philip was the guest speaker, and the tape recording of this was relayed to local members.

The main object is to promote savings, both long term and short term, and to help others to save for themselves. Everyone has someone or something worth saving for.

BEXHILL PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB

The Bexhill Photographic Club was formed in 1948 and is affiliated to the Royal Photographic Society.

The Club exists for the cultivation and discussion of Photography and allied subjects, and to maintain and improve the standard of amateur photography.

The Club meets at St. Peter's Community Centre, Old Town, on the 1st and 3rd Thursday in each month except July and August. The syllabus comprises talks and demonstrations on photographic processes, lectures with lantern slides in monochrome and colour. Meetings for practical work are held from time to time and there is a quarterly competition as well as an Annual Exhibition.

The Annual Subscription is 10s. Junior members (up to 18 years) are accepted at a subscription of 5s. entitling participation in all activities of the Club (except voting at business meetings). Members also pay 5s. per annum to the Community Association.

The Club extends a hearty welcome to all amateur photographers interested in improving their work and discussing their hobby, and to beginners who wish to acquire a more comprehensive knowledge of the technicalities and practice of photography.

BEXHILL MUSEUM ASSOCIATION

The Bexhill Museum Association was founded primarily to further the maintenance and equipment of the Bexhill Museum, which although receiving financial and other support from local government authorities, is not a municipal undertaking. The Museum is open free to the public, and its progress in the educational field is largely dependent upon the sympathetic interest and generosity of friends, many of whom are members of the Association. Other activities of this organisation include the provision of popular lectures on natural history, archaeology, and kindred subjects, held in the Lecture Hall of the De La Warr Pavilion during the winter months, and each summer there are conducted excursions to places of special interest in Sussex and Kent. Full details of the Association, and application forms of membership, may be obtained at the Association's stand in this Exhibition.

THE BEXHILL ROWING CLUB

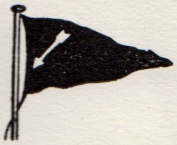
The Club, offering facilities for sea rowing to the young men of the town, was founded in 1893. Its clubhouse of wood, housing boats below, and social accommodation complete with verandah above, stood on the clifftop now the site of the De La Warr Pavilion Terrace. This popular venue was destroyed by fire about 1910, and the Club moved to its present premises originally built for the coastguard cutter.

Townspeople are familiar with the Club's successes in maintaining its proud position as one of the premier clubs on the South Coast, but its contribution to Bexhill publicity is not, perhaps, fully realised.

The upkeep of such an active Club is considerable, and words cannot adequately express its gratitude to the Rowing Supporters' Club which has raised nearly £900 towards the cost of racing craft and equipment in the past six years.

BEXHILL SAILING CLUB

Formed soon after the war by a group of dinghy sailing enthusiasts from Bexhill and surrounding country districts, the Bexhill Sailing Club's main objects are: " To foster interest in sailing, in the art of yacht racing and to encourage good seamanship and the knowledge and love of the sea."



Helped by Bexhill boat builders, the original small mixed bag of craft has now become a sizeable fleet over 40 strong, consisting of 3 adopted " one design " classes, the 15-ft. "Albacore," 12-ft. " Firefly " and " G.P.14." There is also a small class of " Cadet " dinghies and a handicap class. All types can be built from kits of parts.

Club membership today stands at over 380, including a large number of Cadet Members between the ages of 12 and 18, and the Club takes a keen interest in providing facilities and tuition for the young people of Bexhill.

Other Bexhill Organisations

Bexhill-on-Sea Chamber of Commerce, affiliated to the National Chamber of Trade, and to which is affiliated 10 organisations representing local trade interests

Bexhill Independent Schools Association
Hon. Secretary: Miss Oughton-Giles, St. Mary's School, Wrestwood Road

St. Andrew's Society for Helping Poor Ladies
Bexhill Hon. Secretary: Miss F. Carse, " Groveley," Middlesex Road

Battle and Bexhill Moral Welfare Association
Hon. Secretary: Mrs. E. Lloyd, Police House, Cantelupe Road, Bexhill

Salvation Army
Capt. Phyllis M. Jones, 3 Little Common Road

Bexhill and District Poultry Club
Hon. Secretary: Mr. E. E. Simpson, 6 Magdalen Road

Bexhill Pony Club
Organiser: Sandhurst Barn, Bexhill

Bexhill Rotary Club
Hon. Secretary: Mr. W. S. West, 32 Park Road

Bexhill Round Table
Hon. Secretary: Mr. E. G. Mepham, 14 New Park Av.

Bexhill Horse Show Committee
Hon. Secretary: Mrs. E. J. Riches, 50 Ward Way

Bexhill Lecture Society
Hon. Secretary: Mrs. C. I. Meads, M.B.E., " Nether Laggan," Eversley Road

Bexhill Choral Society
Hon. Secretary: Miss P. Hanning, 44 Glenleigh Park Road

Bexhill Council of Churches
Hon. Secretary: Mr. W. E. Owden, " Pittleworth," Eden Drive

Council of Social Service

Bexhill Friends of the Elderly
Hon. Secretary: Mr. H. Riley, 48 Windsor Road

Bexhill Grammar School, Parent-Teacher Association
Hon. Secretary: Mr. J. L. Lovegrove, 15 Chantry Av.

Bexhill Trades Council
Hon. Secretary: Mr. R. Coxhead, 62 Preston Road

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Hon. Secretary: Mrs. G. Bishop, 41 Sea Road

Young Farmers' Club
Hon. Secretary: Miss R. Wood, " Migon," Preston Hall, Watermill Lane

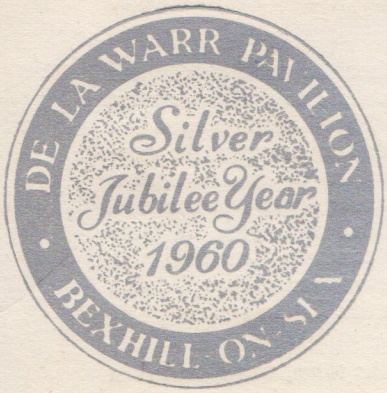
East Sussex Guild of Craft Workers
Hon. Secretary: Miss Thorne, Leasingham Gardens

Sea Angling Club
Hon. Secretary: Mr. J. Such, " Sandhill," Glassenbury Drive

Business and Professional Women
Mrs. Spence, 30 Glenthorn Road

Girls' Life Brigade
Lake House, Collington Avenue

In addition to the above, there are numerous clubs covering cricket, football, bowls and other sporting activities; and the Borough Council election organisation provided by local branches of the national political parties is supplemented by a body called the Bexhill Municipal Independents



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